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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated April 2, 2008, and to the Election/Restriction requirement set forth therein, applicant hereby elects Group II, containing claims 6 to 19. This election is made with traverse. All of the claims are directed to valves and the Examiner has not shown that a separate field of search would be required. Further, it is not seen that the "common technical feature" is the "mixing apparatus" and, moreover, that a "mixing apparatus," as that term is understood, is even being claimed. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims presented should be examined together.

Further and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Date: May 2, 2008

Respectfully submitted

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